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## Departures.

Dec. 11, CHRISTIE WAYNE, for Melbourne, 100, Chiofo 1st December, 1873.  
Dec. 11, SUNDAY, for Hongkong, 100, Chiofo 1st December, 1873.  
Dec. 11, RECORD, for Saigon, 100, Chiofo 1st December, 1873.  
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## Passengers.

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## Reports.

The steam bark ST. PAUL, left Chiofo on 1st December, had southerly winds the first three days, then westerly to the 4th, since when strong N.E. monsoon to arrive.

## SHANGHAI SHIPPING.

November 19th, 2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, 16th, 18th, 20th, 22nd, 24th, 26th, 28th, 30th, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, 15th, 17th, 19th, 21st, 23rd, 25th, 27th, 29th, 31st, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, 15th, 17th, 19th, 21st, 23rd, 25th, 27th, 29th, 31st.

## YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

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COMPTON DESCOMPTES DE PARIS.  
INCORPORATED by National Decree of 7th and 8th March, 1854, and by Imperial Decree of 25th July, 1854, and 1st December, 1866.  
RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.

## PAID-UP CAPITAL.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$3,000,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$2,000,000  
HEAD OFFICE: 14, Rue de la Harpe, Paris.  
LONDON BRANCH: 14, Abchurch Lane, London.

## INTEREST ALLOWED.

On current deposit accounts at the rate of 3% per annum, and on all other deposits at the rate of 2% per annum, subject to 15 days' notice of withdrawal, and 3% on deposits of one month's notice.

## OFFICES IN HONGKONG.

Office in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road.  
Office in London: 14, Abchurch Lane, London.

## THE ANGLO-AMERICAN BANK.

INCORPORATED in the United States of America.  
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$1,000,000  
RESERVE FUND.....\$500,000

## WILL receive Deposits.

make Collections, buy and sell all kinds of Gold and Silver, and all other kinds of Coins, and all other kinds of Securities, and all other kinds of Business.

## LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

On all bills drawn on Hongkong, Shanghai, Canton, and all other ports, and on all bills drawn on London, and all other ports, and on all bills drawn on Hongkong, Shanghai, Canton, and all other ports.

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Daily Press Office, Dec. 2nd, 1873.

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Like many other feelings of a quasi national character, the strong feeling against the admission of an accused person, which has been entertained in England, is the result of a reaction against an abuse of this power in very old times, and a feeling of distrust in consequence of political trials in which some of the Judges, like JEFFREYS, disgraced their calling. But there are now things of the past, and there is no danger in the present of any person being persecuted in the form of a political trial. The publicity of the Courts, the independence of the Judges, and the liberty of the Press, are perfect safeguards to the public against any injustice being done in this way; and there is no fear that a Judge would continue any trial upon the Bench, who did not exercise his powers of questioning a prisoner with the utmost caution and consideration.

In the absence of the outside dangers above indicated, there does not seem to be any very strong reasons against the Ordinance. The Chief Justice, in the course of the discussion of Tuesday, pointed out the possibility of men implicating themselves in crimes of which they were really innocent, by making stupid statements with a view to screening themselves from being convicted on what appears to them strong evidence, though they know it to be false. This, however, is a contingency which, though possible, is certainly very remote. An innocent man can rarely fail to give such explanations as will prove his innocence, and a man would have to be exceptionally obtuse who, in the course of his trial, would not think of such explanations as were wanted.

The point which seems really most in favour of the measure, is the undoubted fact that it has been found to work very favourably in India, where for many years the same kind of difficulties as we experience here had to be contended with. Such being the case, there does not seem to be any grave reason for fearing that the new rule will not be found a great aid to the administration of justice; and, although it is not difficult to understand that many men of ability and experience may feel some hesitation in the introduction of so important a change, it is beyond question and in favour of which there is a very large preponderance of opinion in the present day. If it had been possible for the Judges to put a few searching questions to the Chairman, for example, there can be little doubt that this terribly protracted trial would long ago have been brought to an end, and there are numerous other instances where the obvious way of getting at the truth of the matter by the shortest and easiest process, is to ask the accused what explanation he has to offer.

The Hon. Mr. MAY, in the course of the discussion at the Legislative Council, made allusion to the celebrated Horworny murder, and the perjury cases, in regard to the actual merits of which many people are in doubt. To the present day, and which, as has been pointed out, might easily have been cleared up had it been possible to question the accused. Many other instances of the same kind will occur to those who have watched legal proceedings in this Colony, or elsewhere.

There is also one special reason why the new rule is desirable here. The Chinese are great adepts at getting up defences; but they have time to make their arrangements; but this would be an impossibility in many cases, if the accused were at once called upon by the Magistrate to answer questions obviously suggested by the theory of the prosecution. It is utterly impossible for a man who is not speaking the truth to know how far he will be able to substantiate any statements he may make, and the possibility of getting up false defences must be very greatly reduced by a few questions being put to the accused. As, H.E. the Governor pertinently observed, the one object of all legal proceedings is to get at the truth, and we can see little ground for sympathy with an offender if he happens to be the medium of condemning himself. If such is the case, Society is so much the better protected, and crime made the more difficult.

The new rule has been mainly spoken of as a very salutary means of defending the innocent, as unquestionably it is; but it is equally beyond doubt that it is a most powerful weapon for convicting the guilty, and it cannot, we think, be too often called to the attention of the public, that it is of great advantage in this Colony, where it has long been a subject of complaint that the old system of English Law was a not, whose merits, were so large that the majority of Chinese criminals could easily slip through.

On Tuesday night, at 10.30 p.m., an accident occurred to Chinese junk No. 221, who was sleeping in the room of his duty, and for which he was fined 10 dollars. The junk was found to be in a very bad state of repair, and the accident was caused by the junk being in a very bad state of repair.

We insert a letter from the Rev. Dr. Eitel, on the subject of a remark in our yesterday's article, the bearing of which, he evidently held to be somewhat mischievous. We do not intend to retract, but we do intend to say that we are sorry that our article should have been misunderstood in this way. We are sorry that our article should have been misunderstood in this way.

## LATE TELEGRAMS.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

Supplied to the "Daily Press."

A deputation from the Health Commission have waited upon Mr. Stansfield, with the object of arguing upon the Government the necessity of legislation to stop the importation of swine from the Continent. Mr. Stansfield promised his attention to the matter.

The feeling in Cuba is calmer. Congress is supporting the Obisob, which refused a recognition of belligerency to the Cubans. Mr. Sickles has resigned, his conduct having been disapproved.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1873.

MEETING OF JUSTICES.

A meeting of Justices was held yesterday, at 12.30 p.m., at the Magistrate's, to grant a license to Mariano Fernandez, to keep the "Liberation" formerly kept by a man named Serrano. Present: The Hon. O. M. May, in the chair; F. W. Mitchell, Esq., M. S. Tan, Esq., and W. M. Deane, Esq.

Mariano Fernandez has been in the colony for some time, and has been a working-man. He has been a working-man for some time, and has been a working-man for some time.

In answer to a question put by Mr. Tan, Mariano Fernandez said he was to have a share in the business.

After a few moments' discussion, the license was granted.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

11th December.

BEFORE THE HON. C. MAY.

LARCENY.

Lee-ying, with others, not in custody, was charged by Lee-ying, with the larceny of two silver pipes and two lamps.

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Chun-ayip was charged by Yip-ai, with stealing money to the amount of \$12; the property of which was a silver pipe and two lamps. He was charged with the larceny of two silver pipes and two lamps.

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## A JOURNEY IN SHANTUNG.

(N. G. Daily News.)

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some prospects at Tai Shan, and while crossing the great watersheds, were absolutely fatiguing. I came across no journey in which would be more exhilarating to the mind of business, just by a day's work, than a journey from Chefoo through these regions to Shanghai. It could easily be accomplished in a month or less, and the season for the autumn trade would be over by the time the journey was over. The scenery is of a most beautiful and interesting character, and the people are of a most interesting and interesting character.

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Extracts.

STR. EDWIN LANTIER, BORN 1802. DIED OCTOBER 1st, 1879. (Funeral.)

Mourn, all dumb things, for whom his skill found voice. Knitting, twist them in and undramatic of this, Till merriment in their voiceless joy rejoices; And read the sorrow in their silent eyes. O Sovereign Power for whom, like other Kings, Old life's success joins hands with new life's.

"Till, with the world, staff in grave that dings, We cry 'Queen Art in dead-Long live Queen Art!'"

Her rule, that once reached heaven, from that high sphere Had fallen down and down: the rainbow wings.

That hush her once where angels carol clear, Grew elated and full with music of earthly things.

But, hushed from heaven, her earthly empire Reached far and wide, from where the still again.

Mirrors the lovely City of the Sea, By light of golden sun or silver moon: To where fair Florence, in her crown of towers Spikes, with the beauty of a royal prince; Or where Queen Roma displays great Michael's powers.

Worthy of Roman laurels and Papal pride; Or where, through level of the Lombard plain, The guided steers spread fatness, and, from far, for the

White cities, with walls of green, gleam of the mountains that the great river cut; Or where the black of the Low Country holds, Against the marsh-tide solemnly fold its arms.

And hush make revel among smoke-wreaths, And slow cumuli skirt pillows of sea-gulls, And in hands where all was fair and bright, And in his where was dim and dull of show, Queen Art found realms to own her sovereign might.

Subjects their tribute at her feet to throw, Till even upon their little life, That hush, as large in light of various fancies, That first dawned at last, thought, love, to smile.

And hush her Knights—few, but glorious, Hogarth and Reynolds, Gainsborough, and those Less, and less only, than those peerless things, Who with them caught our manners as they ran.

And their time mirrored for all times to be; And while, like to Dutch Art's faithful truth, A hush a gentle smile in their thought; And Turner, who made poor a fancy south, And coupled wild truth with wildest dreams;

And, hush, not him, whose death we deplore, A hush with large upon Art's banner-roll, As any of the night-gone, gone, gone, Who first of painters, gave dumb things a soul.

And made men feel the links that hold men bound, In love and joy and grief with those dumb things, Till hidden depths of sympathy were found, Where human-kindness flowed from secret springs.

He sought the shelter of the shepherd's fold— Better, whose hush nor man nor woman escape; Only the only lay his faithful hand.

Upon the altar, where his master sleeps, Up, with St. Bernard's searchers on the snow, The good monks' good gods, in the drifts we see.

Or, where the wild white horses, forming, go, With brave Newfoundland saving life from sea, Or where the lovely blood-bond, with prizes for

And spent anxious, watches for his lord, At the locked door, from whose sill, trickling clear, The blood speaks surprise and desolation.

The lesson teaching still of love and trust, In dogs' true service that pleads against thought; Or with bright hound's gleam the true quest, That hush the common germs in animal brute.

Shewing us Jack in Office, proud of place, Or full winged of Science, lying down the law; Or high life's duty and dutiful foe; Or low life, big of joy, and broad of jam.

Or sounding through the townsmen's stagnant vent, The quickening, mountain-air, unbreathed of men, Where from the living moorcock white stains, Starting the uttered motto of the glen.

Or where by mountain turn, when evening's light, Lush lipped on the edges of the hill; The hushed red-dirt, painting from his flight, Sheds sanctuary, serene and safe and still;

Or where over the untrodden waste of snow, Great study's great shadow on the midnight fall, As night star-studded skies with frost aglow, Breathe on rival, still, in silence calls.

How many a weary path of the street, In City pent, has passed these scenes to sea, And drunk the hush's fragrance round his feet, In draughts where with wild Nature strengthens one man!

His Art has been sound teacher to his age, Whether of sympathy, Nature's kind or brute, Or lessons drawn from Nature's poisonous fangs.

And pleasure that, in truth, his dearest root, Few have lived happier, busier lives than he, Whose Art, piled with delight, delight still gave.

And that is a cloud fell on his face, If hush not long between him and the grave, Our best-loved man in Art has passed away, Of gifts, though bounded, rest, most his own.

Who did not work as none of earlier day, And shall but to that latest days be known, And as the artist wrought, so lived the man: Humorous, joyous, genial of mood, With love that took all life things in its span, And, without effort, all things to it won.

Whatever growth of Art may grace our time, His still shall hold its place—where "none" alone, Whose as high by other roads may climb, None can be viler loved, or worthier known.

DIFFICULTIES OF A STOKER'S WIFE.

A writer in *Good Words* tells the following story of the difficulties some people meet with in endeavouring to lead a "religious life."

A lady had gone to visit a young couple of the better class of the poor. They had no children, and the husband being a stoker on a railway, they were above the reach of want.

Under these circumstances it seemed to the visitor that they might have attended to their religious duties at least to the extent of going to church on Sundays, and the young woman, who was standing ill at the door, said, "Will you please walk in till I show you something?"

"What was the woman's answer, and she conducted her visitor to the little kitchen, where her husband sat by the fire. He had just come from his half-an-hour to have his tea, and was watching the kettle with the most absorbing interest. He was, of course, in his working clothes, and his face and hands were of a deep oily black.

"Now, ma'am," said the woman, pointing to him, "you see that there man; that's my husband, and I'm bound to do a party by him, ain't I?"

"Surely," said the visitor, anxious to uphold the duties of matrimony. "Very well, then; would you like to know how I pass my Sunday?"

"Never a blessed moment has he to wash himself through the week; on early and late, and half of the night, too, and bluer and browner as the while. Well, on Sunday, it is fitting and proper that he should try to look like a Christian, if he can, so he sets to it after we get our breakfast, with a bucketful of soap and a scrubbing brush, and I rub at him on and off all day, till my

arms ache, and he ain't much better than he was; and then after we've had our tea, he says to me, 'Come, Sally, have another try, there's a brave wench, and it goes as hissing, and shuffles him down out white; and if you don't believe me, ma'am, when I polish him off with a dry towel after he goes to bed, he's only a light brown after all?' What was to be said to such stubborn facts; especially, when the good woman finished with the unanswerable argument, 'So, you see, ma'am, there's no way to live religious has best not marry a stoker!'"

A CUBAN CARNIVAL.

By far the gayest region of the city during carnival is the spacious square called the Plaza de Armas. Here is the governor's house, the residences of Cuban nobles, the cafes, and the cathedral. Myriads of masqueraders, in every variety of motley and domino, congregate in the place after their day's perambulations, and dance, sing, or twirl with each other with their domesticated

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